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TRACY AND MERRILL STILL IN THE LEAD

Have Again Eluded a Large Force of Pursuers Near Vancouver.

MEMBER OF POSSE WOUNDED

Mistaken for Convict and Fired Upon—Old Man Forced to Contribute to Supplies of Escapes.

VAN COUVER, Wash., June 16.—Convicts Tracy and Merrill have again eluded the strong force of pursuers which, under the direction of Sheriff J. L. Marsh, guarded the roads between Vancouver and Fourth Plain last night, and are still at large in the woods to the north and west of Fourth Plain.

They added another to the long list of depredations charged against them this morning, when they invaded the house of H. Teede, a man 60 years old, who lives alone in the woods about one mile southwest of Fourth Plain. They raged and tied him on his own bed and then proceeded to help themselves to provisions, clothing and money after which they locked the old man in the house tied down to the bed, and departed. This occurred about 6 o'clock this morning in a neighborhood fairly swarming with officers, detectives, militiamen and armed citizens. Along the road leading from Vancouver to Fourth Plain militiamen under the command of Captain Sparks were posted in pairs every few rods, and this road the convicts must have crossed some time during the night in order to reach Teede's place. Old man Teede managed to free himself from his bonds and made his way to the Fourth Plain store, arriving there about 8 o'clock, after the officers, who, weary of fruitless vigilance of the night, had departed for Vancouver. When seen, the old man was very much frightened and nervous from the effects of his encounter with the desperados, but after much questioning he managed to tell the following story:

"Shortly before 6 o'clock, while I was still in bed, I heard a loud rap on my door. I got up and opened the door and was confronted by two men carrying guns. They rapped me to stand aside, which I did. They entered the door and then told me to go over to my bed. Then they shoved me down on the bed and tied by hands and feet. Then they built a fire in my stove and fried some bacon, and ate breakfast. They then cooked all the bacon I had in the house, about five or six pounds, and put it with what bread I had into a sack. Each of the men put on a suit of clothes of mine. Before leaving they took \$5. They then put a gag in my mouth and went away, locking the door behind them, saying they would send some one to release me in a short time. I managed to free myself after hard work."

Teede says the convicts talked incessantly while in the house, telling him they were Tracy and Merrill. A pair of old shoes from which the soles were worn almost entirely away, a pair of overalls with several inches of one leg gone, coat stolen from Dr. White at Gervais, and two old hats were found in Teede's cabin by Sheriff Marsh and the detectives. The country surrounding the cabin and the roads in the vicinity were thoroughly patrolled by officers today, and Sheriff Marsh is convinced that the convicts remained all day in hiding in a strip of timber surrounding the cabin. All roads leading out of the neighborhood were carefully patrolled today by a force nearly as strong as that which had them surrounded near Gervais last week. Deputy Warden Carson, of Walla Walla penitentiary, was telegraphed for yesterday and was expected to arrive here with bloodhounds this morning, but he had not put in his appearance tonight.

Late this evening a majority of the officers and other searchers came to Vancouver for rest and to await the arrival of the hounds, when the search will be resumed in earnest tomorrow morning. In the meantime it would not be surprising to many if the convicts would attempt to reach the house of Merrill's relatives.

William Morris, a member of the citizens' posse from here, was brought to the hospital tonight with a shattered thigh, by a rifle ball fired by a member of the searching party from Portland. Morris with a companion was watching the bridge across Selmon creek when they were mistaken for the convicts by another party a quarter of a mile away. Two shots

were fired with the result that Morris fell wounded. Morris was sitting in a crouching position when the ball struck him in the front part of the thigh, crushing the bone. It is thought tonight that the limb may have to be amputated. Morris was well known here, is a painter by trade, and has a wife and several small children.

EPIDEMIC IS SPREADING.

California Convicts Break From Guards and Make Their Escape.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—Two military prisoners who had been taken from the army prison at Alcatraz Island to work on the construction of a road at Fort Baker, near Lime Point, escaped from their guards this afternoon and a company of soldiers is now pursuing them in the ravines back of Sausalito.

Shortly after noon the two men were ordered to do some work a little apart from the rest of the gang. Two of the guards of 16 men were detailed to watch them. After they had gone a short distance the two prisoners suddenly attacked the soldiers. They knocked down the two guards and, taking their rifles and ammunition from them, fled into the brush.

As they went the rest of the guard fired at them. At the brow of the hill one fleeing prisoner fired a shot at his pursuers, then dodged from view into the ravine.

FANNIE KERR ABANDONED.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—Steamer Alameda, which arrived from Honolulu tonight, brings the news that the British four-masted bark Fannie Kerr, Captain Charles Gibbons, was abandoned May 29, about 800 miles north of the Island of Kauai, the vessel being on fire. Her decks blew up shortly after she left, and she is now either a dangerous derelict or has gone to the bottom. The crew was saved.

SANTOS IN NEW YORK

TELLS OF THE REVOLUTION IN COLOMBIA.

Says Liberals Are Not Rebels, but Patriots Fighting for Their Rights.

NEW YORK, June 16.—General Gabriel Vargas Santos, at the head of the Liberal party of Colombia, and leader of the Liberal army now engaged in trying to overthrow the Conservative party which is in possession of the government, is in this city. The exact nature of the general's business here has not been definitely learned, but it is believed he came north to confer with his chief-of-staff, Foston Soto, on the progress of the revolution in the Panama province and in the Casanare territory. Speaking of events in Colombia, he said:

"If our troops can conquer in the isthmus of Panama we shall be able to make much better progress against the Conservative forces. We have many armed men in the Casanare and San Martin territories in the Magdalena provinces. If we had Panama we would be able to raise sufficient funds to end the war in our favor. At present we need warships in the Atlantic in order to take Cartagena and Barranquilla. Now we get arms and ammunition only through Venezuela and through the Orinoco river. We are suffering from some of the recent victories of our opponents, but their successes are only temporary and in no way disheartening to us. We are called rebels, when we are real patriots who are fighting to obtain our share in the government and the initiation of reforms which would make our country progressive.

"We are fighting for principles. We do not wish completely to drive the Conservatives from power, but we insist that our party be allowed proper representation in the chamber of deputies. Since 1855 we have not been represented, except by two men, though we are half the population. We advocate modern monetary standards. We have cried out for years for a system of education which will bring our children up to a higher appreciation of life. We have fought for improvement in our national life and if we can gain adequate representation in our parliament, we shall begin at once on these changes. The foreigners with interests in Colombia and all the progressive people of the island are with us. Of course, the Panama canal is a great factor in the present war."

General Santos is 70 years old. He has been fighting since 1854 and has taken part in 22 battles.

RESERVATION OPENED.

POCATELLO, Ida., June 16.—Fort Hall Indian reservation will be opened for settlement at noon tomorrow. There are some 2000 miners and homeseekers here tonight ready to make the run.

BILLS PASSED BY CONGRESS

Costly Monument in Memory of Abraham Lincoln for Washington.

WIDOWED WIDOWS FAVORED

Revolutionary Heroes and Martyrs to Be Honored at This Late Day by Expensive Monuments.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—House today transacted some miscellaneous business under suspension of the rule. It included the adoption of a resolution appropriating \$25,000 for the preparation of plans for a memorial in this city to Abraham Lincoln, \$100,000 toward the erection of a monument to the martyrs who died on a prison ship off Brooklyn as the result of the cruelties to which they were subjected by the British during the revolutionary war, and \$10,000 for the erection of a monument at Fredericksburg, Virginia, to the memory of General Hugh Mercer, who was killed during the revolutionary war. The resolution adopted today was to carry out an authorization made for this purpose in 1777 by the continental congress. A bill was passed to amend the general pension law, providing for the restoration on the pension rolls of widows of soldiers who subsequently married and were again widowed.

A resolution calling on the secretary of war for his reasons for the dismissal of Rebecca J. Taylor, a clerk in the war department, was laid on the table by a vote of 109 to 84. A bill to authorize the secretary of war in his discretion to favor American vessels in the transportation of government supplies to the Philippines was defeated.

LONDON DOCK CHARGES BILL.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—After discussion extending over parts of several days the senate today passed what is popularly known as the London docks charges bill.

Opposition to the measure collapsed and it was passed without division. Consideration was continued of the Isthmian canal project, Cullum, of Illinois, and Kittredge, of South Dakota, delivered speeches in advocacy of the Panama route.

INDIAN WAR SURVIVORS.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—House today passed the senate bill granting pensions to survivors of Indian wars of 1855-58.

PRINCE HENRY AS GODFATHER.

NEW YORK, June 16.—Prince Henry, of Prussia, has made glad the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Blume, of Newark, by consenting to act as godfather by proxy of their twins who were born the day Emperor Williams yacht was launched. Mrs. Blume wrote to the prince saying she would like to name the boy twins William and Henry and asking if he would stand as sponsor. She has just heard from the German consul at this city that Prince Henry has consented and expressed the hope that the twins may some day do honor to their names. The prince also sent a check for a good sum for each boy.

CITY SHOULD HAVE UNION CARD.

NEW YORK, June 16.—Resolutions have been adopted by the Central Federated Union of this city setting forth that as "labor unionism" is the influence which has done most to improve the condition of the workingman and has increased the rate of pay to men in the various departments of the city government, and that it is essential that those who toil should be united in the effort to obtain for the products of their labor, that the board of aldermen should by ordinance require that all city employees who are engaged in callings represented by organized labor be members of the unions of their respective craft or trade.

SEES BRIGHT TIMES AHEAD.

NEW YORK, June 16.—Dr. McArthur, preaching in the Calvary Baptist church, has declared the ushering in of the millennium already has been partly accomplished. He predicted federation in the near future of all nations on earth on the basis of the Golden Rule and with this country and Great Britain as the dominant factors.

"These are days," he said, "of gigantic enterprises, of large mergers and of world-wide undertakings. Many

great trusts, doubtless are necessary, but there may be a 'selfless,' altruistic and spiritual trust. There may be an imperialism of love which one day may dominate the world. God is raising up a love trust to offset the 'self trusts' which are menaging our civilization. On the basis of the Golden Rule a federation of the whole world will one day be accomplished. We are approaching such a federation today."

COLLEGE MAN'S CHANCES.

CHICAGO, June 16.—The college man is unfit for the practical affairs of life, according to Prof. Oscar L. Triggs, of the University of Chicago, who delivered an address before the graduates of the Jewish training school in Sinai Temple last night. Prof. Triggs address was a plea for more schools of technology and fewer colleges where the literary course is the principal course. He declared that the college man went into the world unprepared for the conditions that surrounded him. That the ideal of culture which had been so strongly urged upon him can be of no service to him only in a state of comparative idleness.

PARSON-HANNA NUPTIALS.

CLEVELAND, O., June 16.—The marriage of Miss Mabel Hanna, eldest daughter of Senator and Mrs. M. A. Hanna, to Harry Parson, of this city, took place this afternoon at the Hanna residence on Lake Avenue. The groom has for some time past acted as one of Senator Hanna's secretaries.

JAMES EDGERTON LARNED DEAD.

NEW YORK, June 16.—James Edgerton Larned, author and newspaper writer and manager editor of the Evening Post from 1882 to 1892, is dead at his home in this city. He was 64 years old and was born at New London, Conn.

LINSEED SUBSTITUTED

BEAUMONT OIL MAY BE USED FOR PAINT.

BEAUMONT, Tex., June 16.—Beaumont oil is daily finding new fields of usefulness. It has proven its excellence as a substitute for coal and other fuels; it has been shown it is a practical and economical agent for the sprinkling of streets, county roads and railroads; it has been demonstrated it possesses rare qualities as a substitute for asphalt in road and street building; its susceptibility to refinement into excellent illuminating oil is made manifest by the success of experiments at the Gulf refinery, and it has been proven that from the residue can be manufactured an excellent substitute for rubber.

PERUVIAN BARK.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The coronation committee of the British colony here has decided to hold a grand ball at the Revolver club on the night of June 25, says a Lima, Peru, dispatch to the Herald. He new secretary of the Peruvian legation in London, Senor Carlos Alberto Rey de Castro, sailed Saturday via Panama for his post. The government has appointed Senoras Arturo Asphibiaga, August Legula and Alexander Garland to propose measures to improve the sugar industry which is in a wretched condition.

EXPLORING AMERICA.

CHICAGO, June 16.—Dr. A. Donaldson Smith, of Philadelphia, an African explorer who is crossing the continent on horseback accompanied by his valet, also on horseback, has arrived here. They left Philadelphia May 17 and omitting periods of rest have averaged 30 miles a day. They will rest in Chicago four days and then resume their journey to the Yellowstone Park, and thence to Seattle or Nevada.

PERU WANTS BOER IMMIGRANTS.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The Peruvian press is urging the government to adopt energetic measures to get South African Boers to emigrate to that country, according to a Herald dispatch from Lima.

KILANA ACTIVE.

HONOLULU, June 16, via San Francisco, June 15.—Further reports from the Island of Hawaii indicate that the eruption of Mount Kilana is continuing.

WANT ROOSEVELT TO VISIT THE WEST

Invitations Are Pouring in on the Chief Executive From Many States.

WILL ACCEPT IF POSSIBLE

Has Promised to Go to Muskegee and There Meet Some of His Friends in the Rough Riders.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Invitations are pouring in on President Roosevelt to visit a number of points in the West this autumn. Senators Millar and Deltrich of Nebraska, today urged him to take a run from Omaha to North Platte. Representative Bowersock of Kansas, urged him to visit that state.

Senator Quarles, of Wisconsin, also extended an invitation to the president to visit LaCrosse on the occasion of the inter-state fair.

Representative Crumpacker, of Indiana, asked the president, on behalf of the Diawille Clan of the United States, to attend their annual reunion at Hebron, Indiana. In each case the president said he would be glad to accept if it can be arranged.

A committee of citizens of Indian Territory today secured from the president a promise to visit Muskogee during his southwestern tour this autumn. It was at Muskogee where Captain Capron recruited troops L and M of the Rough Riders, and the president's determination to stop there was influenced by a desire to see some of his comrades again.

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